



PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

**ATTENTION: GROUP DIRECTOR**

Koji TAKAO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2612

Application No.: 10/542,765

Examiner: H. NGUYEN

Filed: July 20, 2005

Docket No.: 124788

For: TIRE-INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181**  
**TO RESET THE PERIOD OF REPLY TO AN OFFICE ACTION**  
**DUE TO THE LATE RECEIPT OF THE OFFICE ACTION**

**Attention: Group Director of Technology Center 2612**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In this petition in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.181, it is respectfully requested that the statutory period for replying to the April 2, 2007 Office Action to the application stated above be reset from July 2, 2007 to October 10, 2007.

According to the Patent Office PAIR database, an Office Action, in reference to the patent application shown above, was mailed to Oliff & Berridge, PLC on April 2, 2007. Although the address printed on the Office Action was correct, this correspondence was neither received by Oliff & Berridge, PLC, the Applicant's representative, nor the Applicant or anyone else associated with the application.

Oliff & Berridge, PLC became aware of the Office Action on July 10, 2007 during a routine review of the application's status. This review was preformed by accessing the PAIR database. At which time, Oliff & Berridge, PLC downloaded and docketed the Office Action

of April 2, 2007. Enclosed with this petition is a submission of documents showing the course of events in time. Sheet 1 of the enclosed is a print out of the Image File Wrapper table of contents, printed at the time of the realization of the Office Action, July 10, 2007 at 10:20 AM.

Accordingly, the April 2, 2007 Office Action was not entered into the Oliff & Berridge, PLC computerized docketing system until the discovery of the April 2, 2007 Office Action and the downloaded version was obtained on July 10, 2007 by the Applicant's undersigned representative, and promptly given to the Oliff & Berridge, PLC docketing department. As it is the custom of the Oliff & Berridge, PLC docketing department to immediately enter Patent Office communications when received, the fact that the Office Action was not entered until July 10, 2007 further establishes that the Office Action mailed by the Patent Office was never received by Oliff & Berridge, PLC. Please refer to sheets 2-4. Sheet 2 of the enclosed shows the computerized docketing application employed by the Oliff & Berridge docketing department. This application generated the report on the file under question, shown in sheet 2. This report shows no docketing information on this matter at Oliff & Berridge, PLC regarding the April 2, 2007 Office Action. In addition, sheets 3 and 4 list all patent applications having a due date of July 2, 2007. This list shows no due date of July 2, 2007, which would have been listed in response to the April 2, 2007 Office Action, for this matter. From these, it is evident that as of July 2, 2007 there was no entry for the Office Action in question.

Further review of the PAIR database showed that the Office Action appears to have been returned to the Patent Office for an unknown reason (see the Image File Wrapper on sheet 5). The Image File Wrapper shows that on April 4, 2007, the PTO received a "Miscellaneous Incoming Letter" (Please see sheet 1 on the printout of the Image File Wrapper table of contents). The Image File Wrapper shows that the letter was the Office

Action, mailed April 2, 2007 and received by the PTO on April 4, 2007 as shown by the PTO stamp dated April 4, 2007 on page one of the Office Action (enclosed sheet 5). This shows that the Office Action was not received by Oliff & Berridge, PLC, but instead by some unknown reason the Office Action was returned to the Patent Office.

Oliff & Berridge, PLC contacted Examiner H. Nguyen, who is assigned to this matter. After discussing the situation with him, he suggested that a petition should be made to either reset the period of reply around the date the Office Action was discovered or to petition for the Office Action to be re-mailed, thus resetting the period of reply to start on the new mailing date.

Having complied with the requirements of MPEP 710.06, in view of the facts expressed above, and following the conversation with the Examiner, the undersigned representative of the Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents for the period of reply to be reset for the Office Action dated April 2, 2007. The requested start date for the statutory period is July 10, 2007, the day Oliff & Berridge, PLC, the Applicant's representative, first became aware of the Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures:

- Sheet 1: Print out of PTO PAIR database Image File Wrapper for 10/542,765
- Sheet 2: Screen capture of Oliff & Berridge, PLC docketing department's computerized docketing application
- Sheet 3: Page 1 of 2 of the docketing report generated by the docketing application for July 2, 2007
- Sheet 4: Page 2 of 2 of the docketing report generated by the docketing application for July 2, 2007
- Sheet 5: Printout from PTO PAIR database of Page 1 of the April 4, 2007 document named "Miscellaneous Incoming Letter" with USPTO stamp verify PTO receipt of April 4, 2007

Date: July 13, 2007

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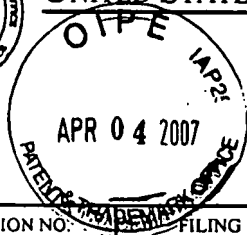




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